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Parliament Hill anti-lockdown protest attracts small but vociferous crowd

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Freedom Forum Canada held a protest on Parliament Hill asking the government to end lockdown in the name of Canadian rights and freedoms. PHOTO BY ASHLEY FRASER /Postmedia

While attendance at Sunday afternoon's anti-lockdown protest on Parliament Hill fell abysmally short of the 100,000 that organizers said they'd hoped for, the 150 to 200 who braved the sunshine on their largely maskless faces were certainly vociferous in their opposition to the government-mandated COVID-19 restrictions under which they've been asked to live for much of the past year.

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Some wore red hoodies that read “Make Canada Great Again,” while others carried Canadian flags or, in one instance, a mounted copy of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Placards urged that RCMP commissioner Brenda Lucki be fired for “failing to prosecute publishers of fraudulent ‘new case’” numbers, or reminded people that “freedom is essential” and “wearing a mask to keep out viruses is like “wearing a chain link fence to keep out mosquitos.”

“God keep out land glorious and free,” read another.

“We’re celebrating our freedom amongst Canadians with our First Nations, our English and or French,” said Kelly Anne Wolfe, CEO of Freedom Forum Canada, which organized the event, “and we want to end the lockdown.

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Kelly Anne Wolfe, CEO of Freedom Forum Canada was present at a protest about rights and freedoms on Parliament Hill Sunday Feb. 14, 2021. PHOTO BY ASHLEY FRASER /Postmedia

“We’re sick of the lies, we’re sick of our businesses being closed,” she added. “We are not anti-maskers as the media would normally report; we don’t care if you wear a mask or a tutu, to be honest, but we do care about our individual civil liberties. We want our businesses open, we want our children to stop being oppressed, we want our schools open and we want the truth to come out.”

That truth, she said, is that the pandemic is over, according to the World Doctors Alliance, a non-profit organization of healthcare professionals and staff who have “united in the wake of the COVID-19 response chapter to share experiences with a view to ending all lockdowns and related damaging measures.”

Two members of the WDA, American forensic psychiatrist Andrew Kaufman and Irish professor Dolores Cahill, were scheduled to speak at Sunday’s protest via live-stream. Rob Carbone, leader of the unregistered Republican Party of Canada, was also expected to address the crowd.

The international alliance has been criticized for claims that there never was a pandemic or epidemic, and for describing the COVID-19 virus as a “normal flu virus.” Last June, University College Dublin’s

school of medicine, where Cahill teaches, disassociated itself from views she had expressed,

“Our government is lying to us,” added Wolfe. “This is an attack on our economy, it’s an attack on our civil liberties, and it needs to end.”



Freedom Forum Canada held a protest to compel the government to end lockdown in the name of Canadian rights and freedoms. PHOTO BY ASHLEY FRASER /Postmedia

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